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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Director's Conversation with Chairman John Stennis
Re Regular Hearings and Briefings of Staff

1. On 29 March, Senator Stennis called the Director to say how impressed he was with the Director's recent briefing of the full Senate Armed Services Committee. The Senator said this was so useful he would like to schedule such briefings at regular intervals--perhaps every 90 days or so--in the future.

2. The Senator then brought up the question of keeping a member of his staff (James Woolsey) up-to-date on significant developments. He indicated that he and his staff would be relying on Woolsey to keep on top of current matters, and to do so Woolsey very much wanted to see regularly the Current Intelligence Bulletins and the Agency's "Daily" Vietnam situation reports. The Director said this created certain difficulties, and might set an unfortunate precedent, remarking that if we made this material available to Woolsey we might have to give it to certain other staff officers in whom we had very little confidence. However, the Director said he would consider the matter and talk to the Senator about it in the next few days.

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